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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Thursday, 2 December 1993

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Forty-eighth session

10 a.m. 68th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

The situation in the Middle East [34]:

(a) Reports of the Secretary-General (A/48/522, A/48/607-S/26769);

(b) Draft resolution (A/48/L.32).

Committees

SECOND COMMITTEE

Informal consultations

10 a.m.- 1 p.m. closed meeting Conference Room 6

Informal consultations on the following draft proposals: A/C.2/48/L.3 *(item 91)*; A/C.2/48/L.4 *(item 97)*; A/C.2/48/L.39, L.40 and L.42 *(item 100)*; A/C.2/48/L.27 *(item 169)*

3 p.m.- 6 p.m. closed meeting Conference Room 6

Informal consultations on the following draft proposals: A/C.2/48/L.28 *(item 91)*; A/C.2/48/L.22 and L.23 *(item 91 (a))*; A/C.2/48/L.25 *(item 91 (d))*; A/C.2/48/L.45 *(item 91 (f))*; A/C.2/48/L.46 *(item 99)*; A/C.2/48/L.44 *(item 99 (c))*

THIRD COMMITTEE

WORKING GROUP

DRAFTING COMMITTEE

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 1
3 p.m.- 9 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 1

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	27th meeting	Conference Room 3

1. Proposed programme budget for the biennium 1994-1995 [123]

   (A/48/6 (in fascicle form), A/48/16 (Part I) and (Part II) and A/48/32/Rev.1/Add.1; A/C.5/48/9 and Corr.1 and Add.1 (also agenda item 121) and A/C.5/48/26 (also agenda item 138))

   General debate

   Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/48/L.28 on agenda item 33 (Question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council) (A/C.5/48/38)

2. Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peace-keeping operations [138]

   (A/47/927, A/48/192, A/48/315 and A/C.5/48/13; A/48/421 (also agenda item 125))

FIFTH COMMITTEE

Informal consultations

Morning*	closed meeting	Conference Room 3

Informal consultations on agenda item 120 (Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors)

3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 124 (Improving the financial situation of the United Nations)

* Following the adjournment of the 27th meeting of the Fifth Committee.

FIFTH COMMITTEE

Informal consultations

6.30 p.m.- 8 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 121 (Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations)

8 p.m.- 9.30 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 127 (Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations)

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COMMITTEE ON THE EXERCISE OF THE INALIENABLE RIGHTS OF THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE

10.30 a.m.- 1 p.m.	203rd meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber

OTHER MEETINGS

GROUP OF 77 OF THE FIFTH COMMITTEE
(on agenda item 121)

Morning*- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 3

* Following the adjournment of the informal consultations of the Fifth Committee on agenda item 120.

GROUP OF 77 OF THE WHOLE
(on the Global Environment Facility and draft resolution A/C.2/48/L.5)

2 p.m.- 4 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 7

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The third meeting of the PANEL OF HIGH-LEVEL PERSONALITIES ON AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT, chaired by the Secretary-General, will be held *today*, 2 December 1993, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in Conference Room 8 and will continue *tomorrow*, 3 December. Members of the Panel only are admitted.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Friday, 3 December 1993

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Forty-eighth session

10.30 a.m. — 69th PLENARY MEETING — General Assembly Hall

1. Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments [17]:

   (a) Appointment of members of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions: report of the Fifth Committee (A/48/692);

   (b) Appointment of members of the Committee on Contributions: report of the Fifth Committee (A/48/693);

   (c) Appointment of a member of the Board of Auditors: report of the Fifth Committee (A/48/694);

   (d) Confirmation of the appointment of members of the Investments Committee: report of the Fifth Committee (A/48/695);

   (e) Appointment of members of the United Nations Administrative Tribunal: report of the Fifth Committee (A/48/696);

2. The situation of democracy and human rights in Haiti: note by the Secretary-General (A/48/532 and Add. 1 and 2) [31].

Committees

SECOND COMMITTEE

3 p.m. — 43rd meeting — Conference Room 2

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m. — 49th meeting — Conference Room 1

3 p.m. — 50th meeting — Conference Room 1

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m. — 28th meeting — Conference Room 3

FIFTH COMMITTEE

Informal consultations

3 p.m. — closed meeting — Conference Room 5

SIXTH COMMITTEE

3 p.m. — 39th meeting — Conference Room 3

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m. — closed meeting — Conference Room 10

3 p.m. — closed meeting — Conference Room 10

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There will be informal consultations of the open-ended working group of the Plenary on agenda item 24 (United Nations New Agenda for the Development of Africa in the 1990s) (draft resolution A/48/L.24) on Monday, 6 December 1993, at 10 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

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SECOND COMMITTEE

Upon the request of the Group of 77, the Bureau of the Second Committee wishes to inform delegations that the consideration of agenda item 91 (Part V) (Development and international economic cooperation: note by the Secretary-General on the progress in the implementation of General Assembly resolution 47/181 (An agenda for development)) will begin on Friday, 3 December 1993, at 3 p.m. and will continue on Monday, 6 December, at 10 a.m.

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The AD HOC COMMITTEE OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FOR THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE UNITED NATIONS RELIEF AND WORKS AGENCY FOR PALESTINE REFUGEES IN THE NEAR EAST will meet on Friday, 3 December 1993, at 10 a.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

Resumed substantive session of 1993

The resumed substantive session of 1993 of the Economic and Social Council has been postponed from *today*, 2 December 1993, to Wednesday, 8 December 1993, at 10 a.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. Items for consideration at the resumed session are contained in document E/1993/117, in particular, agenda item 4 (Coordination questions: United Nations common system) (E/1993/119 and Add.1) and consideration of the question of the Committee for Development Planning.

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OTHER MEETINGS

There will be a closed meeting of the GROUP OF 77 OF THE WHOLE *(at the ambassadorial level) (on an agenda for development (item 91 (Part V))* on Friday, 3 December 1993, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

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There will be a closed meeting of the LEAST DEVELOPED COUNTRIES *(at the ambassadorial level)* on Monday, 6 December 1993, at 2 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

SUMMARY OF SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Tuesday, 30 November 1993

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Forty-eighth session

Committees

THIRD COMMITTEE — 46th meeting

Organization of work

The representatives of Cuba, China and Peru made statements. A statement was made by the Chairman.

Human rights questions [114]

(b) *Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms*

(c) *Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives*

Situation of human rights in Estonia and Latvia [115]

Necessity of adopting effective measures for the promotion and protection of the rights of children throughout the world who are victims of especially difficult circumstances, including armed conflicts [172]

Statements were made by the representatives of Nigeria, Slovenia, Cameroon, Kazakhstan, Costa Rica, Colombia, Egypt, Malta, Japan and Kenya.

The observer of Palestine made a statement.

47th meeting

Human rights questions [114]

(b) *Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms*

(c) *Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives*

Situation of human rights in Estonia and Latvia [115]

Necessity of adopting effective measures for the promotion and protection of the rights of children throughout the world who are victims of especially difficult circumstances, including armed conflicts [172]

Statements were made by the representative of Peru, the United Republic of Tanzania, Austria, Indonesia, Ukraine, Lithuania, Iraq and El Salvador.

Wednesday, 1 December 1993

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Forty-eighth session

67th plenary meeting

The situation in the Middle East: report of the Secretary-General (A/48/522 and A/48/607-S/26769) [34]

Statements were made by the representatives of Israel, Saudi Arabia, Belgium (on behalf of the European Union), Egypt, Malaysia, Thailand, Kuwait, Brunei Darussalam, Indonesia, the Czech Republic, the United Arab Emirates, Turkey, Pakistan, Jordan, Austria, Nepal and Finland.

Tentative programme of work

The President announced the following change in the programme of work of the General Assembly:

Friday, 17 December morning	The situation in Bosnia and Herzegovina [42]

Committees

THIRD COMMITTEE — 48th meeting

Report of the Economic and Social Council [12]

The Committee began its consideration of the item.

Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms [114 (b)]

Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives [114 (c)]

Situation of human rights in Estonia and Latvia [115]

Necessity of adopting effective measures for the promotion and protection of the rights of children throughout the world who are victims of especially difficult circumstances, including armed conflicts [172]

The Committee continued its joint consideration of the items.

Statements were made by the representatives of Croatia, the Republic of Moldova, the Russian Federation and New Zealand.

The observer for Switzerland also made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of Estonia and the Russian Federation in the exercise of the right of reply.

Advancement of women [111]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Draft resolution A/C.3/48/L.5

The Committee adopted the draft resolution.

Draft resolution A/C.3/48/L.30

The Committee adopted the draft resolution.

Draft resolution A/C.3/48/L.31

The representatives of Afghanistan, Ethiopia, Germany, Ghana, Guatemala, Guyana, Israel, Nigeria, Romania, Singapore and Ukraine joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution.

Draft resolution A/C.3/48/L.32

The representatives of Afghanistan, Canada, Cameroon and the Philippines joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution.

Draft resolution A/C.3/48/L.33

The Committee adopted the draft resolution, as orally revised.

Draft resolution A/C.3/48/L.34

The representatives of Afghanistan, Belarus, Cyprus, Ecuador, Eritrea, Guatemala, Iceland, India, Malaysia and Turkey joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution, as orally revised.

Draft resolution A/C.3/48/L.35

The representatives of Ecuador and Ghana joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution, as orally revised.

Draft resolution A/C.3/48/L.41/Rev.1

The representative of the Dominican Republic, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as of Argentina and Cyprus, introduced the revised draft resolution.

The Committee adopted the revised draft resolution.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of the item.

Elimination of racism and racial discrimination [107]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Draft resolution A/C.3/48/L.13/Rev.1

The Secretary of the Committee read out technical corrections to the revised draft resolution.

The representative of Algeria (on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the Group of African States) introduced the revised draft resolution.

Organization of work

The Chairman informed the Committee that there would be no meeting of the Third Committee on Thursday, 2 December, and that the Working Group would hold two meetings. The Committee was also informed that two meetings would be held on Friday, 3 December, two meetings on Monday, 6 December, and two meetings on Wednesday, 8 December.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND CULTURAL RIGHTS
Ninth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

TUESDAY, 30 NOVEMBER 1993

34th and 35th meetings

Consideration of reports [4]

The Committee continued its consideration of the second report of Mexico (E/1990/6/Add.4) concerning articles 1 to 15 of the Covenant.

The Committee then began its consideration of the second report of Germany (E/1990/7/Add.12) concerning articles 13 to 15 of the Covenant.

In accordance with rule 62 of the Committee's rules of procedure, representatives of the reporting States were present at the meetings, introduced the report of Germany and replied to questions raised and comments made by the Committee's members.

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

Amendment to article 8 of the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination, 1966, adopted at the Fourteenth Meeting of the States Parties on 15 January 1992

Acceptance: Republic of Korea (30 November 1993)*

United Nations Convention against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances, concluded at Vienna on 20 December 1988

Ratification: Germany (30 November 1993)*

European Agreement supplementing the Convention on Road Signs and Signals opened for signature at Vienna on 8 November 1968. Concluded at Geneva on 1 May 1971

Accession: Estonia (30 November 1993)*

Vienna Convention for the Protection of the Ozone Layer, concluded at Vienna on 22 March 1985

Accession: Turkmenistan (18 November 1993)*

Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer, concluded at Montreal on 16 September 1987

Accession: Turkmenistan (18 November 1993)*

Amendment to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that deplete the Ozone Layer, adopted at the Fourth Meeting of the Parties at Copenhagen on 25 November 1992

Ratification: Mauritius (30 November 1993)*

Convention on Biological Diversity, opened for signature at Rio de Janeiro on 5 June 1992

Ratification: Nepal (23 November 1993)*

* The date of receipt of the relevant documents.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Meeting

Thursday, 2 December 1993

STAFF COUNCIL

1.15 p.m.-2.15 p.m.	(open to staff members only)	Conference Room 5

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Presentation

A presentation of the integrated management information system (IMIS) project with a demonstration of the software currently installed, with particular emphasis on the financial aspects of the system, will take place *today*, 2 December 1993, at 1.15 p.m. in Conference Room C. The presentation is intended for members of the Fifth Committee and of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (ACABQ) only.

If necessary, the presentation will be repeated on Friday, 3 December 1993, at the same time and in the same room. The presentation is scheduled to last for one and a half hour.

Members of the Fifth Committee and of ACABQ who wish to attend this presentation are kindly requested to call 963-0805 to reserve a seat.

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International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People

Screening of films

In commemoration of the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People, the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People has arranged the screening of a series of films until Friday, 3 December 1993, in the Dag Hammarskjöld Auditorium, at 1 p.m.

Today, 2 December 1993, the following will be screened: "Journey to the Occupied Lands", a *Frontline* documentary concerning life in the occupied territories.

Exhibition

An exhibition presented by the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People, in cooperation with the Office of the Permanent Observer for Palestine at the United Nations, will be on display in the Public Lobby of the General Assembly Building until Friday, 3 December 1993. The exhibition is entitled "Palestine: a glimpse of the past, an inspiration for the future".

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International Day of Disabled Persons
(3 December)

An exhibition of disability related technologies, presented by the Department of Policy Coordination and Sustainable Development, in cooperation with the Center for Computing and Disability of the State University of New York at Albany, will be held in the Public Lobby of the General Assembly Building on Friday, 3 December 1993, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., to commemorate the International Day of Disabled Persons. The International Day coincides with the anniversary of the adoption by the General Assembly of the World Programme of Action concerning Disabled Persons in 1982.

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